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May 15, 1866. f1

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until further notice, the trains of the Central
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A. M., arrive at Dutch Flat at 1:15 P. M., also at 3 P. M., arrive
at Dutch Flat at 7:45 P. M.

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Mr. HEALY—Dear Sir: I have used your Liniment for
the cure of Rheumatism, and am cordially recommending
it as a most valuable remedy for that painful complaint.
Very respectfully,
W. F. PAGE,
San Francisco, Feb. 8, 1866.

Mr. FRANK HEALY: I suffered considerable rheumatic
pains in both shoulders for a long time. I tried many
remedies to get relief, but to no purpose. I was advised
to try a bottle of Healy's Rheumatic Liniment, which
I did, and it has greatly relieved me. I am now using
the second bottle, and am confident that in a few days I
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To F. HEALY: I have heard much and seen practical
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iment for the cure of Rheumatism, I have used it, and
it has greatly relieved me. I am now using the second
bottle, and am confident that in a few days I shall be
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A TENNESSEE FARM-HOUSE.

BY F. T. TROWBRIDGE.

On a cold morning of last December, I started
on horseback from Corinth, in Mississippi, to
visit the battle-field of Shiloh, or Pittsburg
Landing, in Tennessee. Crossing the State
line, I fell in with a young fellow wearing a
flapping gray blanket and riding a mule. On
making his acquaintance, I learned that his
name was Zeek, and that he lived on the west-
ern edge of the battle-field, to which he
promised to guide me if I would go home with
him to his father's house.

At about two o'clock, after a ride of twenty
miles, we reached Owl Creek, a narrow, muddy
stream. Zeek's home was in view from the
farthest bank, a log-house, with the usual great
opening through the middle, situated on the
edge of a pleasant oak-grove strewn with rust-
ling leaves, and enclosed with its yard and out-
houses, by a Virginia rail-fence.

"Alight," said Zeek, dismounting.

We were met inside the gate by a sister of
the young man, a girl of fifteen, in a native
Bloomer dress that fell just below the knees.

As I entered the space between the two divi-
sions of the house, I noticed that doors on both
sides were open, one leading to the kitchen,
where there was a great fire, and the other to
the sitting-room, where there was another great
fire, in a large old-fashioned fireplace.

Zeek took me into the sitting-room, and in-
troduced me to his mother, there were two
beds in the back corners of the room. The up-
per floor was of oak; the naked walls were of
plain hewn logs; the sleepers and rough
boards of the chamber floor constituted the
ceiling. There were clothes drying on a pole
stretched across the room, and banks of dyed
wool hung on bayonet thrust into the
chimney. Cold as the day was, the door
by which we entered was never shut, and some-
times another door was open, letting the wintry
wind sweep through the house.

Zeek's mother went to see about getting us
some dinner; and his father came in from the
yard, where he had been chopping, and sat in
the chimney-corner and talked with me, a lean,
bent, good-humored, hard-working, sensible
sort of man. Zeek's mother came to announce
our dinner. I crossed the open space, pausing
only to wash my hands and face, in a tin basin
filled with water and pieces of ice, and entered
the kitchen. It was a less pretentious apart-
ment than the sitting-room. There was no win-
dow in it; but wide chimneys between the logs,
and two open doors, let in a sufficiency of day-
light, and more than a sufficiency of cold wind.

There was a table, one corner, and a little
square pine table in the center of the room, the
table was neatly set, with a goodly variety
of dishes for a late dinner in a back-country
farm-house. We could have dined very com-
fortably but for the open doors. Blowing in at
one end and out of the other, and circulating
through every crevice, with a cold, piercing
blast, the gale frisked at will about our legs, and
made our very hands numb and noses cold while we
ate. The fire was of no more use to us than
one built out of doors. The victuals that had
come upon the table were cold before they
reached our mouths, and the kind lady poured over my plate con-
siderable quantities of a brownish-gray deposit,
like a spreading sand-bath. I enjoyed an ad-
vantage over Zeek, for I had taken the precau-
tion to put on my overcoat and to secure a back
rest. He sat on a stool, with his back to the
ward, the windward door, where the blast,
pouncing upon him, pierced and pinched him
without mercy. He had not yet recovered from
the chill of his long winter-day's ride; and his
face, white as the ditch of cold, was a
straight down, and cut square and short across
his forehead from ear to ear, presented a pic-
ture at once astonishing and ludicrous.

"Have you got warm yet, Zeek?" I cheer-
fully inquired.

"No," he shuddered. "I am plumb chilly!
I'm so kule I kain't eat."

"I should think you would be more com-
fortable with that door closed." I mildly sug-
gested.

He slowly turned his head half round, and as
the neighbors turned and shot a bound that was
after him, and got away. The men came out
and they were torn-down mad when they saw
the dog killed. They pressed a man and his
wagon to take the carcass back to town; they
lived in Adamsville, eight miles from here.

"They stepped to my house over night, going
back."

"They just bemanned the loss of that dog,"
said Mr. —. "They said they'd sooner have
lost one of their company."

"They got back to town, and they buried
the dog with great solemnity. They put
a monument over his grave, with an epitaph on
it. But some of the conscripts they'd been
hunting dug him up, and hung him to a tree
and shot him full of bullets, and made a writing
which they pinned to the tree, with these words
on it: 'We'll serve the owners of the dogs the
same as we treat.'"

"Was Owl Creek swimming to-day, Zeek?"
Mrs. — asked; meaning was it so high that
our beasts had to swim. And that led to a re-
mark as to the origin of the name.

"That's right smart of owls on this creek,"
said Mr. —. "Sometimes we're pestered
powerful by 'em, they steal our chickens so."

Just then we heard a wild squawking in the
direction of the hen-roost.

"That's one catching a chicken now," quietly
observed the farmer. I certainly expected to
see either him or Zeek run out to the poor
thing's rescue; but they sat unconcerned in
their chairs. It was the chicken's business, not
theirs. The squawking grew fainter and fainter,
and then ceased.

"The people all through this section I allow
will never forget the brute," said Mr. —. "The
Friday night Johnston's left wing was at
Brooks, the last house you passed to-day before
you foiled Owl Creek. The woods was just
full of men. They took Brooks, to make him
show 'em the way. He said he didn't know
where he was, and he must go with 'em, and
they'd shoot him, if he led 'em amiss. He was
in a powerful bad fix; but, lucky for him, they
hadn't gone far when they met Dammer, an
old hunter, that knew every branch and thicket
in the country. So they wrapped off Brooks
for Dammer. The Federals was on the other
side of us, and I allowed there was going to be
a battle. And it looked to me as if it was going
to be right on my farm."

"That was the awfullest night I ever had in
my life," said Mrs. —. "My husband was for
leaving at once. But it didn't appear like I
could bear the idea of it. Though what to do
with ourselves if we stayed? We've no cellar,
and if we'd had one, and got into it, a shell
might have set the house afire, and buried us
under it. So I proposed we should dig a hole
to get into. He allowed that might be the best
thing. So the next morning I got off betimes,
and went over and counseled with our neigh-
bors through the grove, and told 'em I thought
it would be a grand idea to dig a pit for both
our families; and so they came over here and
went to digging."

"You never seen men work so earnest as we did
diggabab 'leven o'clock," said Mr. —, "diggabab
'leven o'clock."

"I kitchen. Such hospitalities were scarcely
calculated to soothe the feelings of a proud and
well-bred horse; but the iron-gate accepted
them philosophically.

"Where is your hay?" I inquired.

"We make no hay in this country. Our
stock feeds out on the hills, or browses in the
woods or cane-brakes, all winter. When we
have to feed 'em, we throw out a little corn,
fodder and shucks."

A loft over the main-pen was filled with stocks
and unshucked corn. Zeek went up into it, and
threw down bundles of the former, and filled
baskets of the latter, for his father to feed out
to the multitude of waiting mules.

We went into the house, and gathered around
the sitting-room fire for a social evening's talk.
As it grew dark, the doors were closed, and we
sat in the beautiful fire-light. We talked of
the deprivations of the two armies.

"I never feared one party more than the
other," said Mrs. —. "If anything, the
rebels was worst." "Both took horses and
mules," said Mr. —. "At first, I used to
try to get my property back. I'd go to head-
quarters and get authority to take it whur I
could find it; but always by that time 'twould
be hocus-focussed out of the way. It was all an
understood thing. As for from that, the regu-
lar armies, neither of them, didn't steal from
us. But as soon as they'd passed, then the
thieves would come in. They'd take what we
had, and cus us for not having more. Sheep,
chickens, geese, corn, watches and money, what-
ever they could lay their hands on, suffered. I
never thought of carrying money about them
times, but always give it to the weemen to
hide."

"That was scouts belonging to both armies,
but that was the source of the country. If it
hadn't been anything, they'd be sure to hit it.
They'd pretend to come with an order to search
for government arms. It was only an excuse for
robbing. They'd search for government arms in a
tin-cup. They had what they called a cash
rope. That was a rope to slip about a man's
neck, and swing him up with, till he'd tell whur
his money was. They had a gimblet, which they
said was for boring for treasures; and they
always knew just where to bore to find 'em.
That was right here" (in a man's temples).
"They'd bore into him till he couldn't stand the
pain; then, if he had any money, he'd be only
too glad to give it up. These was generally
sold with the money, and were powerful useful
'em. But Harrison's scouts was as bad as any.
They pretended to be acting on the Union side.
They was made up of Southern men, mostly
from Mississippi, Alabama and Tennessee."

They was a torn-down bad set of men, bad
as the rebels. They'd no respect for anybody or
anything. He knew some very well; and he
said he was going to see them, and he'd be
moved off leaving a rich pasture. I had my
cattle pastured there all that summer."

Mrs. — proposed that the children should
sing for me a little piece called "The Drummer
Boy of Shiloh." Her husband favored the
suggestion, saying it was "a right nice com-
position, and a fine story."

"I've plumb forgotten it," said Zeek. And
the little girls, who blushing undertook it af-
ter much solicitation, could remember only a
few lines here and there, much to the parent's
chagrin.

At eight o'clock, Zeek, weary with his long
ride that day, said, "I believe I'll lie down,
and without further ceremony, took off his
clothes and got into one of the beds in the
room. Mrs. — thought I also must be tired,
and said I could go to bed when I pleased.
Thinking it possible I might be assigned to the
same apartment, I concluded to sit up until the
audience became somewhat smaller. The girls
presently went upstairs, lighted to their beds
by the fire, which shone up the stairway and
through the cracks in the chamber floor. I
took courage then to get up. I was ready to
retire; and, to my gratification, saw a candle
lighted to show me to my chamber—though I
marveled where that could be, for I had sup-
posed I had seen every room in the house, ex-
cept the loft to which the girls had gone, when
I had seen the sitting-room and kitchen."

I took me first out-doors, to a porch
on the side of the house opposite the great
opening. Thence a door opened into a framed
box of a room built up against the log-house,
as an addition. There was scarcely space to
stand in it. The walls consisted of the naked,
rough boards. There was not even a latch to
the door, which opened into the universal night,
and which the wind kept pushing in. Mr. —
advised me to place the chair against it, which
I did. I set the candle in the chair, and blew
it out after I got into bed. Then, looking up,
I saw with calm joy a star through the roof.
The bed was deep and comfortable, and I did
not suffer from cold, although I could feel the
fingers of the wind toying with my hair. The
night was full of noises, like the reports of pis-
tols. It was the old house cracking its joints.

POWER OF HUMBUG.—An individual who
opened a small tavern near the field of Water-
loo, was frequently questioned as to whether he
did or did not possess some relic of the battle,
and was invariably and honestly answered in
the negative.

But he was very poor, and one day, while
lamenting to a neighbor, not only his poverty,
but the annoyance to which travelers subjected
him, his friend cut him short with—

"Well, make one help the other; make some
relics."

"But what can I do?" inquired the poor
man.

"Tell them that Napoleon or Wellington en-
tered your shop during the battle, and set down
in that chair."

Not long after, an English tourist entered
the tavern, and inquired for relics, was told the
chair story. The chair was bought at an in-
credible price. The next comer was informed
that Wellington had taken a drink, and the
Wellington tumbler was accordingly sold. The
tourist, being amazed with breathless wonder at
the nail on which Napoleon had hung his hat;
the fourth purchased the door posts between
which he had entered, and the fifth became the
happy purchaser of the floor on which he had
trampled.

At last, however, the fortunate inn-keeper had
not a roof to cover his head, and was sitting
on a bag of gold, in the centre of a deep pit
formed by selling the earth on which the house
stood.

HOW TO JUDGE WEATHER SIGNS.—Admiral
Fitzy, in his instruction to meteorological ob-
servers, is careful not to cut off any source of
information as he notes that the observations of
nature are to be watched. Thus, when sea-
birds fly out early, and far to seaward, fair
weather may be anticipated; on the contrary,
when they hang about the land or fly inward,
stormy weather is anticipated. When animals,
instead of spreading over their usual range seek
sheltered places, storms may be expected. Dew
is an indication of fine weather; so is fog; but
clearness of the atmosphere near the horizon is
a sign of wet. When a mountain near the hori-
zon is cutting sharp against the sky, he wraps
his plaid around him. A good hearing day is
also an indication of coming wet. Once a
Week.

There was to have a new School District in
San Joaquin county.

we got the pit dug between the house and the
spring. But when it was done it looked so
much like a grave the weemen dreaded to get
into it, and so much like a breastwork, we men
were afraid to go into it. So my wife gave her consent
that we should take the pit for it. But what
to do with the pit? for if it got shelled, the
house would be destroyed; and then that was
danger the armies would use the hole to bury
their dead in, and the bodies would spoil our
spring. And as we couldn't take the pit with
us, it appeared like that was but one thing to
do. So we put in and worked right earnest
till we filled it up again. A rain had come on
Friday night, and bogged down some of John-
ston's artillery between here and Corinth, that
was the understanding why the fight didn't
come off Saturday. That gave us time to get
it. I took my family three miles back to a
cabin in the swamp, and that they stayed till
it was all over; only Zeek and me came back
for some loads of goods. We took one load
Saturday, and came for another Monday. That
was the second day of the fight. We found the
place covered with rebel soldiers. The battle
was going on then. The roar of artillery was
so loud you couldn't converse at one end of the
house, where the echo was. The musketry
sounded like a roaring wind; the artillery like
peals of thunder."

There was one family caught on the battle-
field. They had stayed because the man was
laid dangerously sick and they dreaded to
move him. After the fighting begun, they start-
ed to get away. The little boy was shot
through the head, and the horse killed. The
weemen then just took the sick man and ran
with him down into the swamp.

"We had a nephew living on the battle-field,"
said Mrs. —. "The family was down with
the measles at the time. But when they see
that was

DUTCH FLAT ENQUIRER.

SATURDAY MORNING, JULY 14, 1896

Now, by St. Paul, the work goes bravely on. The Stars and Stripes are up for Liberty. Flag of the Nation—Talisman of the Free. Ours is the hand that dares to pull these down.

REV. J. H. WALKER will preach at the Union Church to-morrow morning and evening at the usual hours.

Rev. B. E. S. Ely will preach at You Bet and Red Dog to-morrow, and at Alta in the evening of the same day.

UP WITH THE TIMES.—Railroad enterprise and mining developments are fast making Dutch Flat the business, political and geographical center of a large population. Including Colfax, Gold Run, Alta and Cisco—all of which are in this Township—together with our own local and contiguous population, with Iowa Hill, Wisconsin Hill, etc., on the one hand, and Little York and You Bet on the other within convenient halting distance, Dutch Flat may be considered the actual center of not less than from fifteen to twenty thousand population. Not to be behind the progressive spirit which these facts indicate, and that we may be prepared to accelerate the business interests and accommodate the business demands of a district so populous, and because we are ambitious to bring all our limited abilities to bear to guide or encourage the political sentiment of so important a fraction of the people of our State into loyal and healthy channels, we contemplate, at as early a date as possible, issuing our paper semi-weekly. All that is required to confirm us in this, to our mind laudable and essential change, is that our former and present patrons should liquidate even a moiety of our demands against them, or that those most interested should guarantee a portion of the increased expense incident to the enterprise.

THEATRICAL.—A theatrical troupe under the management of J. H. Ruby & Co., and including thirteen performers, among whom are Miss Estelle Potter, Mrs. Sam Wells, Mr. L. F. Beatty, Mr. W. H. Hamilton, are now playing an engagement in our town. They were last evening greeted by a full house, and performed Lucetta Borgia, the Loan of a Lover, with a musical interlude, Fancy Dance by Mrs. J. B. Morrison and Comic Song by Miss Florence. The performances this evening will include Dalway's beautiful play The Lady of Lyons and a popular farce. This company is stronger than usually visit the mountains, and are therefore prepared to put their pieces before the public with better effect. We are informed that they have it in contemplation to remain a portion of next week and produce the popular drama, Arrah-na-Pogue. Our community is highly appreciative and will doubtless patronize this company as its merits and enterprise deserve.

FOUND TO FIND IT.—The belief is and has for some time been quite current among many of our most intelligent citizens, that there are silver lodes on the western slope of the Sierra, not remote from the Donner Lake region, of equal if not greater richness than those across the mountains. Messrs. W. B. Lyon and Mack Webber, of Auburn, are among the number who entertain this opinion, and those gentlemen have given proof of the faith that is in them by sailing forth on a tour of inspection and examination of the region referred to. These gentlemen combine pleasure with business, and go fully provided for the capture of fish, flesh and fowl, as well as the more precious deposits appertaining to the mineral kingdom. We hope to be called upon to chronicle their complete success when they return.

GONE FROM OUR GAZE.—The Pacific Railroad Company commenced landing passengers at Alta, as the upper suburb of our town is now called, and the Pioneer Stage Company have consequently removed their stock to and now start their passengers from that point. In many of the small towns of the interior such a change would have a marked effect, and it would have done so here in the old plodding times, but now, owing to the general activity of business, the effect is hardly perceptible. We miss Nellie Hammond and some of the boys, however, and refuse to be comforted for their absence.

A WITTY BUMMER.—Ours, like every other mining town, is blessed with a due proportion of those valuable social adjuncts who are habitually "laying off" and "waiting for something to turn up." One of these was recently approached by a lucky hotel-keeper that he "patronize," (never missing a meal nor paying a cent), when he was remonstrated with for his remissness, and it was rather more than insinuated that said patron was too lazy to work, "mine host," with his usual politeness, smoothing the expression into an intimation that our unfortunate unemployed friend "lacked energy." Against this insinuation the latter indignantly remonstrated, declaring that he had an abundance of energy, but to use a phrase current among miners, he "lacked capital to develop it."

THIS WELL.—On reference to our hymeneal column our readers will perceive that a favored fair one has secured the right to a "better half" over our handsome and genial friend, Mart Taylor, well known and pleasantly remembered by all old Californians as the Prince of Ballads and Improvisators, and familiar to the columns of this and many other California journals through the graceful emanations of his muse. May his shadow never grow less—may the happy couple never know sorrow, and may his muse now plume herself for higher and more congenial heights.

DAILY NEWS.—This is the title of a daily published in Oakland, on the opposite side of the Bay from San Francisco, the second number of which is before us. It is well gotten up typographically, and the reading matter is in keeping with the neat and artistic appearance. We welcome the daily and hope our friends Organ & Watson will have no cause to regret visiting their friends every day instead of weekly.

BURGULARIOUS.—The store of Duck & Manning, at Alta, was entered on Wednesday evening last, and robbed of clothing, boots, etc., to the value of about two hundred dollars. The indications are that the deed was performed by Chinamen, though the manner in which the back doors were unhinged was highly artistic.

AN OUNCE OF PREVENTIVE.

We observe that a call has been issued for a meeting of the Union State Central Committee, at San Francisco, on Wednesday, August 1st. We are not advised as to the precise object of the meeting, but surmise that it is to initiate proceedings for the thorough organization of the party and to encourage such action on the part of the membership as to render the elements and forces active and effective.

Just now, on the eve of the decisive conflict in the political arena for the fruits of the glorious and costly victories won on the field of carnage, the lessons taught by the bitter experiences incident to the inauguration of the physical contest should by no means be forgotten or ignored, but should be faithfully treasured in remembrance and rigorously applied.

The great rebellion, at its very inception, was formidable, from the fact that the conspirators were thoroughly organized and prepared, while the loyal masses though superior in numbers and resources, were disorganized, listless and apathetic.

Now, as then, the cunning and unscrupulous men who conceived and planned the rebellion, are bringing to bear the power of thorough organization to secure by diplomacy results for which they vainly battled on the tented field.

Whether the same apathy and imbecility which marked the former are to characterize this final contest, remains to be seen.

While the Democracy are actively engaged in organizing their clubs, establishing their reading-rooms and fostering and encouraging their political journals, it is to be hoped that the Union leaders will entrench and fortify all approaches. We trust that some action in this direction will be taken at the approaching meeting of the Committee.

HIGHLY COMMENDABLE.

Mr. T. C. Mallon, Secretary of the "National Democratic Association of San Joaquin County, California," informs us that "our association have a reading-room and library connected with it, for the use of the public, and are desirous of affording all the facilities necessary to enable the public to acquire a correct understanding of our political condition, therefore, in order to accomplish this desirable object, we would be much gratified if you would contribute your valuable journal to our Association, where it will be placed on file and preserved for public use." Now, although there are "whole families" in our own immediate vicinity who would be "much gratified" if we would "contribute" our "valuable journal" to them, and although we have been pained at our pecuniary inability thus to "gratify" these our neighbors, we have concluded to strain a point in the present instance, and comply with the request of "T. C. Mallon, Secretary."

Our reasons for thus discriminating against our neighbors and in favor of T. C. are manifold. 1st. We agree with Mr. Mallon that it is a "desirable object" to have the public who "acquire a correct understanding of their political condition."

2d. We are exactly the "valuable journal" to impart such "correct understanding."

3d. Posterity will be indebted to us to the value of a full edition if we succeed in imparting such "correct understanding," and being satisfied that posterity will honor a draft for that amount, we can afford to wait for it.

Hence, and for divers other reasons, we will forthwith enter the association on our list and henceforth dedicate half column per week for a series of short and easy lessons, to teach the National Democracy of San Joaquin to "acquire a correct understanding of their political condition."

A JAIL.—Lee & Ryland's fine company of equestrians, gymnasts, etc., performed at this place on Saturday evening last to an immense audience. Their mammoth pavilion was crowded, crammed and jammed with the representatives of the various races and nationalities which go to make up the conglomerate humanity peculiar to our State and especially to that portion of it which borders the great national highway. Unlike the opera, the theater or the negro minstrel performances, each of which commend themselves but to a limited portion of the community, the circus entices beneath its canopy and amuses or delights alike the refined Caucasian, the phlegmatic mongolian or the impressible Ethiopian. Representatives of each of these types were included in the thronged audience to which we refer. The performances were all highly satisfactory—the odd, grotesque and unique whimsicalities of Harry Jackson, the clown, were peculiarly amusing; Harry has cut loose from the conventionalities which have bound the jesters of the ring to a certain state of comicities time out of mind, and has opened up a new and excessively amusing path. As a mimic and caricaturist he is imitable and unsurpassable. His burlesques of the styles of Forrest, Bandmann, Macready & Co. are side-splitting in the extreme. We are Harry's debtor for a sore chest and stitch in the side.

AFTER MAX.—Capt. John B. Umy, formerly of the California Volunteers, having been commissioned a Brigadier General by the Republic of Mexico, has taken up the line of march for Mexico, with a command numbering several hundred of troops recently discharged from the United States service. These men are splendidly armed, with Henry repeating rifles, revolvers and bowie-knives, and are splendidly equipped. We are advised of the departure of one detachment numbering 283 men; one of one hundred and forty-eight and one of sixty-two men. If Max awaits their arrival, but it would be just the luck of our California boys to have the little upstart skedaddle before they reach their destination, to swindle them out of a fight. We shouldn't wonder if the Emperor Francis Joseph should become suddenly aware that the distinguished ability of his brother was imperatively needed nearer home very shortly. An Arch-Duke, security and a revenue are preferable to a barren Empire, constant danger and an empty exchequer.

A TRAVELING CIRCUUS took \$1,600 out of the little town of Copperopolis. Guess that's a prosperous town.

The thermometer in the Appeal office, Wednesday, marked 98 degrees.

LETTER FROM IOWA HILL.

IOWA HILL, July 13, 1896.

ENQUIRER.—The ever welcome and glorious Fourth has been celebrated by the patriotic people of this divide in a manner entirely pleasing and satisfactory to all. Although no early preparations were made to get up an expensive, or even a general celebration, such as we are accustomed to have to commemorate this great day of National jubilee, and which is so dear to every American, yet the general harmony which exists among our citizens, and the good humor displayed on that day was a celebration of itself. Early in the morning the anvil belched forth their song of praise, at the same time arousing all from their sweet slumbers to see—

"Bright Aurora's flashing train,
Come golden-footed o'er the hills."

A party of ladies and gentlemen, including the school children, spent the day in the woods on a picnic, and enjoyed themselves to their heart's content, for the joyous shouts that occasionally went up and rent the air gave evidence that Momus (I believe that's his name) was presiding over the festivities of the day. But it was at the hall in the evening that mirth, happiness and enjoyment prevailed truly to see the ladies of this divide at a gathering, reminds one of the meeting of the fairies at the Court of Oberon and Titania, and I have no doubt but more than one youthful bachelorette came away intoxicated with Psyche glances, and figures that moved like a gazelle before their entranced vision. I would tell you how many admiring glances followed each sprightly nymph in the delightful evolutions, and name them, were it not for the number and an impossibility to do so. I confess my inability to do the subject justice at present, as I intend to make this a short letter.

And now it becomes my painful duty to say something not very becoming, and altogether disagreeable to our German citizens. It is useless for me to explain the condition of Germany; that a jealous eyes among the different nations is too well known. But men who come from the Fatherland and adopt this country as their home, and fight here about the question of Germany, is something very disagreeable, and altogether contrary to the laws of this country. It seems that a man named Fred. Nudge had a dispute with another named Barney Mullering about their native troubles. They met during the day at several places in town, and lastly at the Homerang saloon, when angry words and blows were exchanged, and Nudge drew a dirk and stabbed his opponent in the left breast, near the fifth rib, inflicting a dangerous wound. The physicians consider at present that the wound is not fatal. Nudge was arrested on the charge of carrying a concealed weapon, but as two juries failed to agree he was acquitted. During the day many were placed in the "lock-up." I noticed a certain young man being handed about in the street without any cause or provocation, and must say that it doesn't meet with the approbation and approval of your correspondent.

I will close this, Mr. Editor. The "army worm" is doing great damages in the gardens around here.

THE GALAXY.—This is the title of a new magazine published by the "American News Company," No. 39 Park Row, New York. The Galaxy is published fortnightly, and presents a novel and exceedingly neat appearance. The reading matter includes choice stories by distinguished authors, light essays and sketches, poetry and discriminating reviews of current literature. The numbers at hand contain a large amount of choice matter, and are handsomely illustrated on tinted paper. The most novel feature of this new candidate for popular favor consists of the handsome cover, which, bronze-colored and gilt ornamented constitutes the magazine a tasteful ornament for the center table.

EXCURSION.—An excursion train from below will run to Alta to-morrow. Accommodations for 1,000 persons have been provided, and hence it is probable that our hills will be graced by and our forests will resound with the voices of a large concourse than ever reached so great an altitude in California before. A friend whose ideas are more poetic than his language, suggests that the spirit-eyes of the hovering ghosts of the diggers of long ago, will "bug out" amazingly at the sights of next Sunday.

HOGS.—Six fat porkers were stolen from the premises of Mr. Roth, butcher, on Thursday evening last. On the same evening the hen-house of Mr. Schubert was robbed of three hens leaving him but one, which judiciously squawked at the right moment, and aroused Mr. S., who got to the window in time to see a John Chinaman making his exit through an opening in the fence. Owing to this co-incidental feat in the poultry line, the Celestial portion of our population will have to stand the brunt of a prima facie case in regard to Roth's hogs.

CABIN ROBBED.—During the early part of this week, Mr. Solomon Williams, who owns and occupies a cabin near Towle's mill, at the upper portion of the town, was absent at Alta, his cabin was broken open, and sundry articles of clothing, a little money, and a silver watch abstracted therefrom. This robbery but shows the usefulness of our Chinese population in demonstrating the old saying that "those that have little shall have less."

MINING ACCIDENT.—Last evening, says the Gold Hill News of the 11th instant, an accident occurred at the Belcher mine which caused the death of Charles Scott, a worthy and hard working miner. A cave occurred in one of the lower levels, which caught and buried him in five feet of water and mud. He was forty years of age, a single man, and a native of Ireland.

The trail from this place to Little York is now entirely safe for acrobats provided they be usual, take a balance-pole and chalk their feet. We suggest the propriety of acrobats accompanying themselves to this trail before appearing in public, a la Blondin, as it is said to be infinitely more dangerous than crossing from the Cliff House to Seal Rock on one of A. S. Hallie's wire ropes.

AN ADVANCE MOVEMENT.—It is now fully established that a change has taken place in certain quarters which will captivate whole households, and is attracting the attention of the many interested. We refer more particularly to Grover & Baker, who seem to have scaled the walls of perfection, and are now furnishing sewing machines, which not only save all varieties of fabric most perfectly, but enter into the accomplishment, and with the same machine execute the most elaborate and elegant embroidery. Mothers will hail with delight this contribution to their comfort, and avail themselves of an opportunity to examine these great improvements at the rooms of this enterprising firm.—Baltimore Gazette.

THE STATE FAIR.—The facilities which will be afforded the citizens of our vicinity for visiting the approaching State Fair will be greatly superior to those of past years, and it is but reasonable to suppose that we will furnish a large quota of those attendant thereon. On this account, if no other reason, we feel free to suggest to those having control of the matter that an improvement on the jockey-club arrangements of former years will be expected and demanded. The horse is beyond question one of the noblest of animals; it is doubtless well enough to encourage the development and improvement of the wind, limb and speed of that glorious creature, but to be compelled, as it were, to eat horse, drink horse, and talk horse, as has been so nearly the case in former years at Sacramento, will be long indelible to the people of the interior to vote the State Agricultural Society an effete institution, and its management a bore.

M. E. CRUICK.—Preaching every Sunday at half-past ten A. M., and at seven P. M. State Fair. Sabbath School at the Church at half-past one o'clock. N. R. PECK, Pastor.

MARRIED.

At Georgetown, El Dorado county, on Sunday evening, July 5, 1896, Mart Taylor, Principal of the Sacramento Commercial Academy, to BELLA, eldest daughter of E. J. Lansing, all of Sacramento.

THEATRE.

The Ruby Company has the pleasure of announcing that they have effected an engagement with the celebrated Artist—

MISS ESTELLE POTTER!

Who will appear, supported by a powerful company from the Metropolitan Theatre, San Francisco, in the Dutch Flat Theatre.

On Saturday Evening, July 14th, 1896, On which occasion will be presented Ruby's Beautiful Play entitled—

THE LADY OF LYONS.

Pauline Deschappelles..... Miss Estelle Potter
Widow Melotte..... Mrs. J. B. Morrison
Madame Deschappelles..... Miss Florence
Sandra Melotte..... L. F. Beatty
Benjamin..... W. H. Hamilton
Gladys..... J. H. Ruby
Balance of the characters by the Company.

BRILLIANT INTERLUDE.

Favorite Song..... Mrs. Sam Wells

FANCY DANCE..... MRS. J. B. MORRISON

Comic Song..... MISS FLORENCE

The performance to conclude with the Laughable Farce

THE IRISH WARD!

Admission.....One Dollar (Children.....Fifty Cents)

Doors open at 7 1/2 o'clock. Performance commences at 8

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having demands or claims against the estate of

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CORNER OF MAIN AND STOCKTON STREETS.

L. WURSBURG & BROTHMAN
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PEOPLE
of Dutch Flat and neighboring towns that they are now opening a splendid assortment of
FANCY AND STAPLE DRY GOODS.
At the Corner of Main and Stockton streets, two doors above the Dutch Flat Hotel, where they invite all, especially the Ladies, to call and examine their really superior stock of—

Ladies' Freshening Goods,
not assortment of Gentlemen's
and Youth's Goods, as
Hats, Caps
of every description, and
to the public CHEAP.

COMPETITION DEFIED!

NE! GOODS! NEW GOODS!!

ADLER & HUEFENL, Stone Store, Main Street, Dutch Flat.

HAVING just returned from San Francisco will be ready to receive a large assortment of Ladies' and Gentlemen's

FURNISHING GOODS!
Would respectfully call the attention of the Ladies and Gentlemen of this place to their large assortment. They are determined to be undersold, and will endeavor to keep

THE BEST GOODS
That can be obtained in the market, both FOREIGN and DOMESTIC. They have at present every description of

Fancy Dry Goods and Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods.

Call and examine for yourselves. Our is KNOWN TO PLEASE.

CLOTHING EMPORIUM,
SOUTH SIDE OF MAIN STREET, DUTCH FLAT.

J. H. LAMAR respectfully announces that he has recently received from San Francisco a large assortment of Ladies' and Gentlemen's

Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods!
Of a most superior quality and make, which he is prepared to sell at low prices.

Silk, Hosiery, and Shaker Flannel Undershirts, Dress and House,

Days & J. and Patent White Shirts,

Hankkerchiefs, Neckties, Collars, Cuffs, Socks and Scarfs.

Gentlemen's Ladies', and Children's Boots, Shoes, Hats and Caps.

The assortment in this department is the largest and best to be found in town, consisting of the finest dress

Boots and shoes, with a large stock of

Miners' Gum and Leather Boots, of the best quality and make. Persons in want of articles in my line are invited to call and examine the stock.

FAMILY GROCERY STORE,
Under Main Street, DUTCH FLAT, CALIFORNIA.

THANKFUL for the patronage heretofore bestowed upon him, the undersigned respectfully announces that he continues to keep on hand a full assortment of

FAMILY AND MINERS' GROCERIES,
CANNED FRUITS, VEGETABLES, OYSTERS, LOBSTERS AND SARDINES.

Fresh Butter, Eggs and Vegetables,
POWDER, FLOUR AND RICE.

CROCKERY, EARTHEN AND TINWARE,
With every article for family use, which he is prepared to sell at prices that cannot fail to satisfy. Every accommodation is rendered to customers.

GEORGE S. MAKER,
JULY 14, 1896.

